

Our Lady of the Highways Catholic Church Parroquia Nuestra Señora de los Caminos

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November 27th: First Sunday of Advent

Parish Staff/ Personal Parroquial

Rev. Gabriel Carvajal-Salazar, Pastor/Parroco

Rev. Mr. Martin Sheehan, Deacon/Diacono

Rev. Mr. Wayne Adams, Deacon (Retired)/Diacono (Retirado)

Rosa Guzman, Secretary/Secretaria

Kathy Laskis, Faith Formation Coordinator/
Cordinadora de Formacion de Fe

Office Hours/Horario de Oficina

Mondays/Lunes 12:00PM—4:00PM

Tuesdays/Martes 1:00PM—5:00PM

Wednesdays/Miercoles 2:00PM—5:00PM

Thursdays/Jueves 2:00PM—5:00PM

Fridays/Viernes 1:00PM—6:00PM

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturdays/Sabados: 4:00pm— 5:00pm

In English and Spanish

Or call the church office for an appointment



*** Mass Schedule/Horario de Misas***

Saturdays/Sabados: 5:00 PM English

6:30 PM Español

Sundays/Domingos: 10:00 AM English

12:00 PM Español

2:00 PM Español

Tuesdays/Martes: 7:00 PM English

6:30 PM Liturgia de las horas

Fridays/Viernes: 6:00 PM Español

Adoration/Adoracion

Fridays/Viernes: 10:00 AM - 5:45 PM

Holy Day Masses will be announced/ Misas de dias festivos se anunciara

Sacraments/Sacramentos

Baptism:

Contact Deacon Martin Sheehan

Bautismo:

Llamar a la oficina parroquial

Marriage:

Contact Parish office secretary six month in advance

Matrimonio:

Contactar a Juan Pablo y Carolina al 336-653-0828 con seis meses de anticipacion

Anointing of the sick/Uncion de los enfermos:

Call the parish office/ Llamar a la oficina parroquial

Interested In Becoming a New Parishioner...

Registration Forms are available at the doors
Or you are welcome to contact the church office
for more information.

Bienvenidos Nuevos Miembros a Nuestra Parroquia...

Los formularios de registro están disponibles en las puertas. O puede ponerse en contacto con la oficina de la iglesia para más información.

Our Mission Statement

Our Lady of the Highways, a Parish grounded in faith and service, seeks to be a people unified as a Catholic community that embraces and enjoys a wide cultural diversity. We rely on the Holy Spirit to guide us in our growth and in our Christian witness to the community. We are especially committed to promoting vocations both to the priesthood and religious life and sacred married life.

Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners:

It is hard this time of year not to notice that the sun sets sooner and rises later.

Perhaps our drive home from work is becoming steadily darker, or our morning

routine can no longer be carried out without the aid of a lamp. Our bodies likely notice this seasonal shift because we long for sunlight and need it for our physical health.

So, too, our minds and souls may be longing for light. Every person is likely confronting some sort of darkness. It may be very tangible darkness like sickness or the loss of a job or a broken relationship. Perhaps it is a more creeping darkness, such as the pressure of being constantly busy, the challenge of forming your children in virtue, or the difficulty of building authentic friendships in a world geared toward the superficial. This internal darkness can weigh more heavily this time of year as well.

This season, then, is a season marked by the growing light of the candles. As we enter

into this holy season, we must be watchers, searching for these lights, eagerly awaiting

the dawn. This is not simply a time for shopping and parties. Jesus warns us about such activity

and the blindness it can produce. Instead, he calls us to be attentive and ready in a fundamentally different way. We are invited to allow Christ to bring his light to our

darkness. We are called to stay awake to God who draws near.

Happy Advent Season.

Fr. Gabriel



ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **Drivers and warehouse managers needed**
Drivers and warehouse managers are needed. If interested please call 336-953-8055

◆ **Support for Parish Families -**
We will be providing food to 15 families this Thanksgiving. During October we sold tootsie rolls and accepted donations to support handicapped people with intellectual disabilities. Over \$450 was collected. Thank you for your support and generous donations. Your Knights of Columbus

Mark Your Calendars!

- **November 24:** Thanksgiving mass, 11am
- **Dec 3:** Next Spanish Baptism Preparation will be in the church, 10am

Parish Membership and benefits

To be considered an active, participating member of the parish, and thus eligible for tuition assistance in any catholic school and sacramental sponsor eligibility, Our Lady of the Highways takes into account a family or individual's ministry involvement and Mass attendance.

To be considered an active, participating member, envelopes are the primary way we determine if parishioners are regularly attending Mass.

We ask that if you can't make a contribution on a given Sunday, still place your envelope in the collection basket so we can record your attendance.

Attendance at Mass is the most important thing we do as Catholics and the most meaningful way we model and live our Catholic faith.

Are you moving?

Please remember to notify the parish office as soon as possible. If you are moving to a different parish, also notify the parish office so we can remove you from our list.

Digital Bulletin

If you receive an email with the digital bulletin and your email has changed please submit your new email or if you would like to receive the digital bulletin email:

olhcommunications@gmail.com

Scripture Readings

First Reading: They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; one nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again.

(Is 2:4)

Second Reading: It is the hour now for you to awake from sleep. For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed; the night is advanced, the day is at hand.

(Rom 13:11-12)

Psalm: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord. (Ps 122)

Gospel: "Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come."

(Mt 24:42)

Friends & Family Serving in the Military:
Please let us know if these people are still in the military and need our prayers. Thank you:

Richard Archer, Britt Baxley, Jason Boyd, Josh Duchame, Matt Gobble, Nicholas Green, Christopher Hackney, Michael Harris, Everett Henry, Jasmine Leahy, James Michaels, Joshua Ramsey, Nathaniel Ramsey, David Reid, Rebecca Schweigart, Ryan Smithling, Angela Monserrath Solis, John Wagner, Caleb Littleton, Ryan Fisher

PRAYER LIST

Please help us keep our prayer lists up to date. Call 336-475-2732 or email OLHCommunications@gmail.com to update. We have removed several names from the prayer list, please let us know if they are still sick and we can add them back onto the list. Thank you!

Our Sick and Homebound:

Maria Oliva Salazar (Father Gabriel's mother), Robert Todd, Fr. Jim Turner, Fr. Michael Gelfant, Smokey Stover, Brittany Shea, Deacon Wayne Adams, people with Covid, Pat White, Maryann Jones, Dee Silverio, Griselda Martínez, Jerry Chamber and Raymond Chamber, Gary Heilman, Angel Simms, Bill Tagliaferri, Betsy Ann, Craig O'Hara.

Room At The Inn

9th Annual Troubadour Christmas Concert

will be on Friday, **December 2nd**

at **The Carolina Theatre in Greensboro**

Join us in the beautiful, historic Carolina Theater to enjoy an eclectic mix of Christmas music, a complimentary dessert reception and Disney's A Christmas Carol on the big screen. The concert is a fundraiser to benefit the work of Room At The Inn. Please visit our event website for more details: troubadourconcert.org

We are still in need of \$25 gift cards for Christmas.

If you would like to donate a gift card in support of the mothers and children we serve,

please mail to:

Room At The Inn

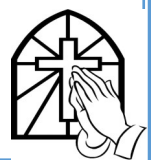
PO Box 13936

Greensboro, NC 27415



**Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of/
Por favor oren por el descanso del alma de:**

Donald "Don" Dean



Mensaje del parroco

Estimados feligreses:

Es difícil en esta época del año no notar que el sol se oculta más temprano y sale más tarde.

Quizás nuestro camino a casa desde el trabajo se está volviendo cada vez más oscuro, o nuestra rutina matutina ya no se puede llevar a cabo sin la ayuda de una lámpara. Es probable que nuestros cuerpos noten este cambio estacional porque anhelamos la luz del sol y la necesitamos para nuestra salud física. Así también, nuestras mentes y almas pueden estar anhelando la luz. Es probable que cada persona se enfrente a algún tipo de oscuridad. Puede ser una oscuridad muy tangible como la enfermedad o la pérdida de un trabajo o una relación rota.

Quizás sea una oscuridad más sigilosa, como la presión de estar constantemente ocupado, el desafío de formar a tus hijos en la virtud, o la dificultad de construir amistades auténticas en un mundo orientado a lo superficial. Esta oscuridad interna también puede pesar más en esta época del año. Esta temporada, entonces, es una temporada marcada por la luz creciente de las velas.

Al entrar en esta estación sagrada, debemos ser vigilantes, buscando estas luces, esperando ansiosamente el amanecer. Este no es simplemente un momento para ir de compras y fiestas. Jesús nos advierte sobre tal actividad y la ceguera que puede producir. En cambio, nos llama a estar atentos y preparados de una manera fundamentalmente diferente. Estamos invitados a permitir que Cristo traiga su luz a nuestras tinieblas. Estamos llamados a estar despiertos a Dios que se acerca.

Feliz temporada de Adviento.
Padre Gabriel

The Parish office will be closed/ La oficina parroquial estara cerrado

Nov 24 and 25 for the Thanksgiving holiday

¿Te estás moviendo?

Recuerde notificar a la oficina parroquial lo antes posible. Si se muda a una parroquia diferente, notifique también a la oficina parroquial para que podamos eliminarlo de nuestra lista.

ANUNCIOS

◆ **Preparacion para Bautizo**

3 de Dec a las 10 am en la iglesia

◆ **Choferes y encargados de almacén**

Se necesitan choferes y encargados de almacén. Interesados llamar al 336-953-8055

◆ **Apoyo a las Familias Parroquiales**

Proporcionaremos alimentos a 15 familias este Día de Acción de Gracias. Durante octubre vendimos tootsie rolls y aceptamos donaciones para apoyar a personas con discapacidad intelectual. Se recaudaron más de \$450. Gracias por su apoyo y generosas donaciones. Sus Caballeros de Colón.

Membresía parroquial y sus beneficios

Para ser considerado un miembro activo y participante de la parroquia y, por lo tanto, elegible para la asistencia de matrícula en cualquier escuela católica y elegibilidad de patrocinador sacramental, Our Lady of the Highways toma en cuenta la participación en el ministerio de una familia o individuo y la asistencia a Misa.

Para ser considerado un miembro activo y participante, los sobres son la forma principal en que determinamos si los feligreses asisten regularmente a misa.

Le pedimos que si no puede hacer una contribución un domingo determinado, aún coloque su sobre en la canasta de recolección para que podamos registrar su asistencia.

La asistencia a misa es lo más importante que hacemos como católicos y la forma más significativa en que modelamos y vivimos nuestra fe católica.